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Applicant : RIMEDIOTTI et al.
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The following references have been cited in the International Search Report dated October 25, 2002 in the corresponding PCT Application.

- U.S. 3,901,647 discloses low radiation open-boat crucibles. The reference has been cited under Category X as being relevant to International claims 7 - 10.

- Patent Abstracts of Japan vol. 2000, no. 23 discloses a vacuum evaporation system. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to international claims 1 - 6.

- GB 1 203 069 discloses improvements in or relating to vapor coating of materials in a vacuum. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6.

- U.S. 2,969,448 discloses a heater vaporizer element support. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6.

The following references have been cited in the European Search Report dated march 7, 2003 in the corresponding European Patent Application.

- U.S. 5,788,769 discloses an evaporator boat for an apparatus for coating substrates.

The reference has been cited under Category X as being relevant to International claims 10 and 13 and further cited under Category Y as being relevant to International claims 1 - 4, 8, 9 and 14.

- DE 970 246 has been cited under Category X as being relevant to International claims 10 and 13 and further cited under Category Y as being relevant to International claims 1 - 4, 8, 9 and 14. No translation is available at this time.

- U.S. 3,746,502 discloses an evaporation crucible. The reference has been cited under Category X as being relevant to International claims 10 and 13.

- U.S. 2,996,412 discloses an art of depositing metals. The reference has been cited under Category Y as being relevant to International claim 14.

- U.S. 2,962,538 discloses a vaporizing heater for vacuum deposition and method of employing the same. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 5 - 7, 11, 12 and 15.

Consideration of the above references is respectfully requested.

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	<u>3,901,647</u>	<u>Aug. 26, 1975</u>	<u>Relyea</u>			<u>April 26, 1974</u>
	<u>2,969,448</u>	<u>Jan. 24, 1961</u>	<u>Alexander</u>			<u>March 3, 1959</u>
	<u>5,788,769</u>	<u>Aug. 4, 1998</u>	<u>Achtner et al.</u>			<u>Feb. 21, 1997</u>
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	<u>GB 1 203 069</u>	<u>Aug. 26, 1970</u>	<u>Great Britain</u>			<u>Yes</u>
	<u>DE 970 246</u>	<u>Aug. 28, 1958</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>

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